



## Eastern Arizona Type II Incident Management Team

### 103 Fire

May 29, 2006 7:00 p.m.

Acres: 2,050 Containment: 65% Cause: Human, Under investigation  
Personnel: 495 Fire Crews: 10 {7 Type 1, 3 Type 2} Helicopters: 6

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Today, firefighters constructed direct handline in the steep and rugged terrain of the upper elevations of the 103 Fire, while helitankers dropped water on hot spots lingering on the ridges above Ash, Montezuma and Copper canyons. The fire, located 8 miles south of Sierra Vista on Coronado National Forest and Coronado National Memorial lands in the Huachuca Mountains, is burning in a variety of fuels ranging from grass to timber.

A small slopover (fire outside the containment line) on the southern portion of the fire was caught and containment lines throughout the remaining area held through erratic wind conditions during mid-day. Smoke appeared in several places on the interior of the fire area. Overall, smokey conditions lifted and fire activity was light to moderate.

Pre-evacuation alerts remain in effect for homeowners on the northeast side of the Coronado National Memorial and residents of Ash Canyon. National Park Service employees who reside in quarters at the Memorial headquarters were evacuated as a precautionary measure.

The 61 Road from the entrance to the Coronado National Memorial to the junction with Forest Service Road 48 is closed to through traffic. Those traveling on State Route 92 should exercise caution and maintain an appropriate speed in anticipation of fire traffic.

For more information, please call **(520) 366-5508** and direct your call to the Public Information Officers. A Fire Information station adjacent to the helicopter base on State Route 92 in Hereford, AZ, is staffed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, throughout the incident.

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